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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR §1.136(a)**

A three (3) month extension of time from December 29, 2004 up to and including March 29, 2005 is requested to respond to the Office Action mailed September 29, 2004.

In view of the small entity status of the Applicant, a check in the amount of \$510 is enclosed. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments that may be required to our Deposit Account No. 03-1721.

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